

Bio:

LORENZO CHAVEZ Parker Colorado

Lorenzo Chavez was born in New Mexico. His inherited connection to the colorful and historic Southwest as well as seeing the Taos Society of Artists works was the catalyst for his art career. In 1983, he graduated with honors from the Colorado Institute of Art.

Chavez participates in several national invitational group exhibitions including the Pastel Society of America in New York, Artists of America Show in Denver, Plein Air Painters of America, Albuquerque Art Museum, Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, Bradford Brinton Museum, Coors Show in Denver, and Settlers West Gallery in Tucson. In 1996, he was featured in a successful one-man show at the C.M. Russell Museum. He has participated successfully in several C.M. Russell art auctions. His work is featured in articles in *Southwest Art*, *Artists of the West*, *Pastel Journal*, *American Artist* and *Art-Talk*.

His suggestive renderings and fluent technique have earned him numerous awards and many devoted collectors throughout the United States and he is considered by many to be the west's premier pastel painter. In 1996, he was named one of the ten most collectible young painters in the county by *Art Talk* magazine. He has been the recipient of awards and honors from such notable groups at the Pastel Society of America, the C.M. Russell Auction, and Artist of the West Pioneer Museum.

Lorenzo's work is featured in many prominent galleries and magazines, including *Art of the West*, *Southwest Art*, *Pastel Journal*, *Art-Talk*, and *American Artist*. He was cover artist for *The Artist's Magazine*. In 2006, he was included in three books, *Pure Color; The Best of Pastel* published by Northlight Books and *The Plein Air Year* published by Jack Richeson Books and *Colorado Landscapes*.

Website: www.lorenzochavez.com.